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AMENDMENT B AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR:

In response to the Office action dated March 6, 2003, please enter the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 20, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Conserved regions of the Chicken Anemia Virus viral genome are amplified using standard techniques (Innis et al., *PCR Protocols*, Academic Press, 1990). Information on the Chicken Anemia Virus viral genome for designing suitable primers can be found on databases well known to those in the biomedical arts such as the databases available through the website of the U.S. National Institutes of Health ~~website at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>, all herein incorporated by reference.~~ PCR products are analyzed by agarose gel electrophoresis and ethidium bromide staining. If the PCR amplification does not result in a band corresponding to the band found in the positive control, the preparation is considered substantially free of Chicken Anemia Virus. --

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